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Application of:

John L. Manferdelli, et al.

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Filing Date: June 27, 2000

For: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR INTERFACING A SOFTWARE PROCESS
TO SECURE REPOSITORIES**

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Applicant-Initiated Interview Summary

Date of Interview: August 13, 2004

Interview Type: ☐ Personal ☒ Telephonic ☐ Electronic Mail ☐ Video Conference ☐ Other:

Participants:

From PTO: (Include Name and Title)

1. Michael Vaughan, Examiner
- 2.
- 3.

For Applicant:

1. Peter M. Ullman, Attorney,
2. , choose one: Applicant, Attorney, Agent
3. , choose one: Applicant, Attorney, Agent
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☐ An exhibit or demonstration was included and is described below:

The claims discussed included: Claim(s) 1, 9, 20, 25, and 31

The ☒art ☐prior art discussed included:

The Cassagnol reference

An agreement ☐was ☒was not reached.

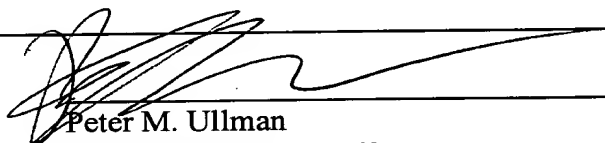
☐It was agreed that the attached claims are allowable.

☐It was agreed that the attached amendment would be entered.

☒The interview is summarized below.

The thrust of applicants' argument raised in the interview is that Cassagnol does not teach the features for which it is cited and – at least as to certain claims – teaches away from the claimed invention. Thus, the section 103(a) rejection of the claims should thus be reconsidered and withdrawn. Although the Examiner did not agree during the interview to allow the claims, the Examiner indicated that he would consider applicants' argument if provided in a written submission. The formal response to the office action submitted herewith describes the arguments.

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Sir:

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- ☐ A Preliminary Amendment.
- ☒ A Reply Responsive to the Office Action Dated July 23, 2004.
- ☐ Supplemental to the Paper filed .
- ☐ A Substitute Specification (pages 1 -) in clean form.
- ☐ A substitute specification (pages 1 -) with markings.
- ☐ An Abstract is enclosed.
- ☐ replacement sheets of drawings are enclosed comprising figures .
- ☐ Request is hereby made to accept black and white photograph(s) in this case, as they are the only practicable medium for illustrating the claimed invention. One (1) set of black and white photographs comprising figure(s) is submitted herewith.
- ☐ Petition is hereby made to accept drawing(s)/photograph(s) in this case.

- ☐ Three (3) sets of color drawing(s)/photograph(s) and black and white photocopy that accurately depicts to the extent possible, the subject matter shown in the color drawing(s)/photograph(s), are enclosed, comprising figures
- ☐ An amendment to the first paragraph in that portion of the Brief Description of the Drawings is also enclosed herewith advising that the patent contains at least one drawing/photograph in color.
- ☐ A Certified Copy of each of the following applications: is enclosed.
- ☐ An Associate Power of Attorney is enclosed.
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement.
 - ☐ Attached Form 1449.
 - ☐ A copy of each reference as listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 is enclosed herewith.
- ☐ A Terminal Disclaimer is attached.
- ☐ Appendices as follows:
- ☒ Other: Applicant-Initiated Interview Summary
- ☐ **No Additional Fee is Due.**
- ☐ Applicant(s) has previously claimed small entity status under 37 CFR § 1.27.
- ☐ Applicant(s) by its/their undersigned attorney, claims small entity status under 37 CFR § 1.27 as
- ☐ This application is no longer entitled to small entity status. It is requested that this be noted in the files of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

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TOTAL CLAIMS	39	41 (20 MINIMUM)	0	\$9 EACH	\$	\$18 EACH	\$
INDEP. CLAIMS	5	5 (3 MINIMUM)	0	\$43 EACH	\$	\$86 EACH	\$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT				\$145	\$	\$290	\$
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- ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____.00 is attached. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 23-3050.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-3050 in the amount of _____.00. This sheet is attached in duplicate.
- ☐ Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) (fees: 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of _____ to and through _____ comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of _____ month(s).

- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to Deposit Account 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.

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